

# ULTIMATUM

## BY BELL CO

### Reasserts Wage Scale Offered to Strikers

SAME OFFER REJECTED  
BY REFERENCE

Now Looks as if Strikers  
Have to Begin  
Tactics.

The Rocky Mountain Bell company has announced a schedule, effective August 1, closely on the rejection of a union vote by several local E. W. in the intermountain a similar proposition, submitted the first of the week, the result is significant of the company's stand in the strike for the new wage schedule, given through A. G. Mackay, agent for the Bell, follows: "Beginning August 1, Mountain Bell Telephone

pay \$3.50 a day to its line  
its linemen in Montana were  
Cable splicers' wages will  
\$4.25 in Utah, Idaho, and  
to \$4.50 in Montana.  
This is an increase of 50  
Montana, and 25 cents a  
three other States. Ready  
wages of other classes of  
be made to meet the ar  
In connection with the  
Grand President F. J. Mc  
L. B. E. W., and J. K. L.  
district council president  
ference Saturday evening  
following statement cover  
ers' side:

**Statement From R**  
"For nearly two weeks

"The situation was discussed from every standpoint, with the aid of our representatives from the following proposition to the company since May 1st.

"First—That we would increase of 50 cents per hour the States of Utah. We

"Second—That we will all proposed working rules by the organization. So working rules could be satisfactory to both sides.

"This was a general 25 cents per day through the district (excepting Butte, Mont.) original demands as presented by the company before the district moved all chance for improvement.

our being unfair is demanding working rules which the union is not a party to framing.

"This brought the question bearing on wages off."

Ultimatum of Com-

"We believe we are an increase asked, inasmuch as living has increased almost. The wages of skilled men have been increased from 50c

"The company would be the proposition, but following ultimatum to us."

"An increase of 25 per cent would be granted throughout Utah, Wyoming and Montana, except the city of working rules to continue signed agreement."

"As the signed mutual the only practical method will prevent employers and employees operating that the company anxious for one as we peace is desired. Heretofore agreement existed between."

"As our representatives"

cept or reject the ultimate  
fore submitted the same  
dum vote of the men who  
resulted as follows: Ap  
for, 9.  
The result plainly show

members honestly believe  
titled to the increase asked  
her affected voted a secret  
is the only means of ascer-  
true sentiments of men is  
difficulty for better condition

**Situation in the**  
The statement in close  
cost of living is as high  
other cities in Utah, look  
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bers cannot see why the  
not be the same in the  
Organized labor, the hom  
all fair-minded people in  
the strikers loyally in Mo  
ing the requests are fair,  
says. The statement als  
the linemen's calling is a  
process skilled men

one and requires...  
electrical worker cannot  
without paying an exorbitant  
claim the grand officers. The  
ends with an appeal to all  
people throughout the four  
their undivided moral support.

What the next move is will be is not given out. He insists that it is up to the Grand Vice-President. Mr. C. has gone to Butte to look into the situation there and his visit is expected to have a strong bearing on the next step in the strike. Mr. C. says that a strike would be a disaster.

tives wherever organized  
the district in sympathy  
men is not anticipated. The  
probably will not be made  
Sullivan's return from Bu  
Nulty will remain here (t

days longer.  
A conference between the  
ficers and the Independent  
company is likely the  
week.

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**Mansfield Is Bound**  
MONTREAL, July 27.—Stu-  
field intends remaining in  
St. Charles, 2000

few days. Mr. Stearns Mansfield today said there is no prospect of his appearing on the coming season.